

## Wolf, Sheldon

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Senator Lee for some further clarity on these levels. Please share are you see fit.

### **Relative/Kinship Caregivers:** *(No license required)*

- Individual related or well known to the child. Not only limited to relatives by blood or marriage, could include community member, family friend, god parent, baseball coach, teacher, etc.
- Background check is considered, and case manager goes to the home to check the property for basic safety and sleeping arrangements.
- If HB 1091 passes these relative/kin caregivers will receive a time-limited \$\$ stipend to offset costs of the child.

### **Certified Foster Home** *(Entry level license – short term placements, provide respite or shelter care).*

- If HB 1091 passes “certification” details to be further developed and added to our LOC chart.
- NDAC 75-03-14 will be updated
- CFS Licensing Unit (HHS staff) will assess the applicant/s for certification; ensuring background checks, home study and home safety requirements are met.

### **Licensed Foster Home:** *(License required)*

- NDAC 75-03-14 will be updated, but no direct or indirect impact on our current foster care provider licensing standards. Business as usual
- CFS Licensing Unit (HHS staff) will assess the applicant/s for licensure; ensuring background checks, home study and home safety requirements are met.

Cory Pedersen

Children and Family Services – Director



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